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MARINE MAMMAL COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Notice

TIME AND DATE: The Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors on Marine Mammals will meet on Tuesday, 6 May 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Wednesday, 7 May 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Thursday, 8 May 2013, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The Commission and the Committee also will meet in executive session on Monday, 5 May 2013, from 2:00 to 6:00 p.m.

PLACE: Tuesday and Wednesday, 6 and 7 May: Fellowship Hall, Mt. Vernon Place United Methodist Church, 900 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Washington, D.C. 20001. Thursday, 8 May: Capitol Hill Visitor's Center, located underground on the east side of the Capitol, at the East Front plaza of the U.S. Capitol, First Street and East Capitol Street, NE, Washington, D.C., 20001.

STATUS: The executive session will be closed to the public in accordance with the provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act (5 U.S.C. 552b) and applicable regulations. The session will limited to discussions of internal agency practices, personnel, and the budget of the Commission. All other portions of the meeting will be open to the public. Public participation will be allowed as time permits and as determined to be desirable by the Chairman.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: The Commission and Committee will meet in public session

to discuss a broad range of marine mammal science and conservation policy issues, with a particular

focus on partnerships and prioritization in order to address growing challenges in ensuring healthy

marine mammal populations and the ecosystems in which they live. An opening session will feature

the leaders of the major federal agencies engaged in marine mammal science and conservation. Five

themed sessions will reflect the Objectives in the Commission's Strategic Plan for 2015-19: The

Changing Arctic; Offshore Energy Development; Marine Mammal Health and Stranding; Impacts

on Marine Mammals from Fishing; and Recovery of Marine Mammal Stocks: Next Steps. The third

day of the meeting, which will be held on Capitol Hill, will feature introductory remarks from

members of Congress, discussion of the outcome of the five themed sessions, a series of short

presentations on the latest technological advances in marine mammal science, and a public comment

session.

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